

Update on Demonstrations about Transportation Strikes: July 20, 2009

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The U.S. Embassy alerts American Citizens to the transportation strikes planned in Lima and surrounding cities on Tuesday and Wednesday July 21 and 22. A strike in Cusco also has been announced for July 21. The Embassy strongly urges travelers to stay alert to potential violence and to depart any situation immediately if it appears to be turning dangerous. The possibility of violent protests and road blockages may disrupt travel plans and delay road and air connections to other cities. Travelers should consult with hotel staff and tour guides before attempting to utilize public transportation: buses, combis and taxis.

Americans living or traveling in Peru are encouraged to register with the U.S. Embassy through the State Department's [travel registration web site](#) so that they can obtain updated information on travel and security within Peru. Americans without Internet access may register directly with the U.S. Embassy or Consular Agent. By registering, American citizens make it easier for the Embassy or Consulate to contact them in case of emergency.

For any emergencies involving American citizens, please contact the American Citizens Services (ACS) Unit of the U.S. Embassy's Consular Section, located in Monterrico, a suburb of Lima, at Avenida La Encalada, Block Seventeen; telephone 51-1-618-2000 during business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), or (51-1) 618-2936 for after-hours emergencies (English) or (51-1) 618-2935 for after-hours emergencies (Spanish); fax (51-1) 618-2397, or 618-2724 (American Citizen Services Unit); [Internet website](#). The Consular Section is open for American Citizens Services, including registration, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. weekdays, excluding U.S. and Peruvian holidays. The U.S. Consular Agency in Cusco, Peru, can be found at Avenida Pardo 845, Cusco. The office can be reached by phone at (51-84) 231-474, and is open Monday thru Friday, excluding [U.S. and Peruvian holidays](#), 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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